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MEMORANDUM

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Jeremy M. Hughes, Ph.D., Interim Superintendent

SUBJECT: Resolution Honoring Elizabeth Coke Haller

Attached is a draft resolution honoring Elizabeth Coke Haller, a Michigan Department of Education employee. Ms. Haller has accepted a position with the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta, Georgia.

It is recommended that the State Board of Education adopt the resolution honoring Elizabeth Coke Haller, as attached to the Superintendent's memorandum dated March 28, 2005.

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RESOLUTION

Elizabeth Coke Haller

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Coke Haller currently serves as the Supervisor of the Coordinated School Health and Safety Programs Unit of the Michigan Department of Education, after first serving as the Physical Education Consultant when she joined the Department in 1999; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Coke Haller has provided statewide leadership, interagency coordination, and direction on school health-related issues including coordinated school health programs, obesity prevention, physical education, health education, safe schools, and sex education; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Coke Haller served as a lead facilitator and writer for a ground-breaking consensus paper addressing obesity issues, *The Role of Michigan Schools in Promoting Healthy Weight*, which has led to consultation with other states and large cities as well as citations in *Time Magazine* and the *Wall Street Journal*; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Coke Haller has worked collaboratively with the State Board of Education and Department of Education staff in the development of eight State Board of Education policies in support of school health that are seen as national models by colleagues throughout the country; and

WHEREAS, Elizabeth Coke Haller has been asked to keynote numerous national, state, and regional conferences and provide expert testimony to the Michigan Legislature on key health issues including building learning support, coordinated school health programs, obesity prevention, health and wellness programs in schools, and sex education; now therefore be it

RESOLVED, That the Michigan State Board of Education recognizes Elizabeth Coke Haller's state leadership and dedication in the field of school health to support the health, well-being, and educational achievement of Michigan youth; and be it finally

RESOLVED, That the Michigan State Board of Education extends their heartfelt appreciation to Elizabeth Coke Haller as she leaves the Department to start her new role as School Health Team Leader, Program Development and Services Branch, within the Division of Adolescent and School Health, at the national Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.